Title 33 ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

Part I. Office of the Secretary

Subpart 1. Departmental Administrative Procedures

Chapter 5. Confidential Information Regulations

§503. Requests for Confidentiality

A. - E.8. ...

F. All records submitted in accordance with R.S. 44:3.2 will be processed as a complete request for confidentiality as described in this Chapter.

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HISTORICAL NOTE: Promulgated by the Department of Environmental Quality, Office of the Secretary, LR 22:342 (May 1996), amended by the Office of Environmental Assessment, Environmental Planning Division, LR 30:743 (April 2004), amended by the Office of Environmental Assessment, LR 30:**

§505. Responses to Requests for Confidentiality

- A. The department shall make a determination and send a written response to the requester by certified mail within a reasonable time from receipt of a complete request for confidentiality, except for:
- 1. those-requests made in accordance with R.S. 30:2074(D), in which case the department shall send a written response by certified mail within 21 working days from receipt of athe complete request for confidentiality-; and
- 2. requests made in accordance with R.S. 44:3.2, in which case the department shall send a written response by certified mail within 30 days from receipt of the complete request for confidentiality.

B. - C. ...

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§507. Accessibility

A. <u>Information that is confidential shall not be made available to the public.</u>

<u>BA</u>. If a request for confidentiality is granted, such confidentiality shall not prevent the necessary use of the information or records by department employees or duly authorized officers or employees of local, state, or federal governments in carrying out their responsibilities under law. The secretary or the secretary's designee must duly authorize any officer or employee of local, state, or federal government who seeks access to confidential information or records.

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Chapter 7. Penalties

§705. Penalty Determination Methodology

A. ...

Table 1. Penalty Matrix				
Degree of Risk/Impact to Human Health or Property	Nature and Gravity of the Violation			
		Major	Moderate	Minor
	Major	\$27,500 \$32,500 to \$20,000	\$20,000 to \$15,000	\$15,000 to \$11,000
	Moderate	\$11,000 to \$8,000	\$8,000 to \$5,000	\$5,000 to \$3,000
	Minor	\$3,000 to \$1,500	\$1,500 to \$500	\$500 to \$100

A.1. - D. ...

E. The information obtained from the violation-specific and violator-specific factors can be entered into one of the following formula(s) to obtain a penalty amount (P_n) for each penalty event:

$$P_n = A_n + (B_n x [C_n - A_n])$$

$$P_n = 2(A_n + [B_n \times (C_n - A_n)]) *$$

where:

P_n= penalty amount for a given penalty event.

 A_n = the minimum value of the penalty range for the cell located on the penalty matrix for a given penalty event.

 B_n = the sum of percentage adjustments calculated for a given penalty event, where 100 percent $\geq B \geq -100$ percent.

 C_n = the maximum value of the penalty range for the cell located on the penalty matrix for a given penalty event.

* [NOTE: The statutory maximum is <u>double\$50,000</u> in circumstances where the penalty event constitutes a violation of a previous enforcement action as stated in R.S. 30:2025(E)(2).]

F. - J. ...

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